Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 18 Apr 2022 until 23:59 on Tuesday 19 Apr 2022

Forecast Issued on Monday 18 Apr 2022 at 03:05 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High becoming Medium in cloud details from Wednesday.

Headline for Monday 18 Apr 2022: Rain soon clearing. Then bright with sunny spells. Cold and windy at height.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 18 Apr 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Sleet	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
70%	50%	10%	<05%	00%	<05%

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Weather: A cloudy start with showery outbreaks of rain, sleet or snow on the higher tops. This becoming confined to the Cairngorms and monadhliath hills by mid-morning, then all ranges dry by midday. Dry with sunny spells in the afternoon. Then a dry evening with lengthy clear spells, but cloud increases over western hills after dark.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% early morning, becoming 80% by afternoon, but lowering to 40% in west late evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive, base 600 to 900m early morning. This lifting and clearing by mid-morning. Cloud thickens and lowers to around 700m across western hills late evening. Good visibility outside of low cloud.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	23/30 S	15/20 SW	24/34 SW	27/38 SW	31/43 SW	31/42 SW	29/40 SW
900	23/27 S	15/20 SW	24/31 SW	28/37 SW	30/39 SW	31/39 SW	29/36 SW
600	11/15 SW	13/17 SW	18/25 SW	22/31 SW	20/28 SW	20/28 SW	18/27 SW
300	7/16 SW	10/18 SW	12/24 SW	15/30 SW	12/26 SW	11/25 SW	10/24 SW
Glen	5/19 SW	6/15 SW	7/21 SW	9/26 SW	7/25 SW	7/24 SW	5/19 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	0/-7	-1/-7	-0/-8	-1/-9	-1/-10	-3/-11	-3/-12
900	4/-2	2/-3	3/-3	3/-4	2/-5	1/-6	1/-6
600	6/3	4/0	6/1	6/0	5/0	4/-2	3/-2
300	7/5	8/5	10/7	9/6	8/5	6/2	5/2
Glen	8/5	8/6	11/9	11/8	9/6	6/3	5/3
Freezing Level*	1400m	1100m	900m	900m	900m	900m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Feeling pleasant in sheltered sunny glens, but bitterly cold in the wind on the tops. Gusts across highest summits may be 5-10 mph stronger than in the table during the evening.

Forecast for Tuesday 19 Apr 2022

Weather: Mainly dry overnight and during the morning with bright, sunny or clear spells. Lowering cloud and patchy rain and summit snow could push into The Monadhliath and Creag Meagaidh area. Cloud building more widely at times in the afternoon with the chance of the odd shower, any showers soon dying out with clear spells through the evening.

Maximum wind: Southwest 10 to 15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%, but 40% at first across Creag Meagaidh.

Low cloud and visibility: Visibility mainly very good with no significant cloud, but patches possible around the summits in showers, visibility falling moderate or poor. More extensive cloud in the west, base 600 to 900m at times.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 Celsius rising to 13 Celsius in the afternoon
At 800m: Around Zero Celsius, rising to plus 6 in the afternoon
Freezing level: Around 600m at dawn, soon rising above the summits.

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